

MINUTES
COUNCIL DISTRICT ADVISORY
TASK FORCE

Tuesday, May 20, 2003



Human Resources Pinnacle Room
7575 E. Main Street
Scottsdale, Arizona

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Present:	Jeffrey Abts	William McCluskey
	Susan Bitter Smith	Michael Pickett
	James Derouin	Roberta Pilcher
	Suzanne Klapp	Wendy Riddell
	Barbara Klein	Don Scott
	George Knowlton	Lida Stewart
	Wendy Lyons	James Wellington

Also Present: Deputy City Attorney Donna Bronski
Government Relations Coordinator Peggy Carpenter
Executive Assistant Jeff Kulaga

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Susan Bitter Smith called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m. The Chair expressed her apologies for herself and Vice Chair Derouin who were caught up in re-drafting the final report and forgot the meeting had been changed to an earlier start time. Members Wellington, McCluskey and Derouin arrived at approximately 6:05 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MINUTES

Hearing no additions or corrections, the chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2003 District Advisory Task Force meeting. Wendy Riddell made the motion to approve the minutes as submitted, which was seconded by Roberta Pilcher. The motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW, DISCUSS, AND REVISE DRAFT DISTRICT ADVISORY TASK FORCE REPORTS

The Task Force members reviewed the revised (May 20, 2003) version of the Final District Advisory Task Force Report. Minor changes were made to the report. There was discussion about how to fashion signature lines and whether the members authoring the minority submissions would sign the portions of the majority report discussing electing the mayor at large and submission of only one item to the voters for their consideration. Suzanne Klapp moved approval of the majority report but the motion died for lack of a second when it was discovered that there was still confusion over the wishes of members authoring the minority submissions. After further discussion, the minority members articulated their wishes to sign only their own submissions.

APPROVE FINAL DISTRICT ADVISORY TASK FORCE REPORTS

Task Force member Suzanne Klapp moved approval of the majority report as revised, including statements regarding at large election of the mayor, submission of a single option regarding districting to the voters, and a revised recommendation section with 12 signature lines. The motion was seconded by Task Force member [REDACTED]. The motion passed with unanimous approval of the majority members: Jeffrey Abts, William McCluskey, Susan Bitter Smith, Michael Pickett, James Derouin, Suzanne Klapp, Wendy Riddell, Don Scott, George Knowlton, Lida Stewart, Wendy Lyons, and James Wellington

DISCUSSION OF PROCESS FOR PROVIDING THE FINAL DISTRICT ADVISORY TASK FORCE REPORTS TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND POTENTIAL NEXT STEPS

By acclamation, the Task Force determined that the presentation to the City council should be given by the chair, Susan Bitter Smith. Staff was instructed to draft a power point presentation to serve as the basis for the Task Force presentation. Since the majority report requires additional changes, the members agreed to come in the week of May 27 to sign the final report, with assembled attachments.

The chair's report will include a summary of the majority report, a slide with the majority recommendation, a slide with Ms. Pilcher's minority recommendation, and a slide with Dr. Kline's minority recommendation.

Jeff Kulaga explained that the room set up and Council's normal procedures for their study sessions.

The group briefly discussed their status after the June 9th study session. Donna Bronski explained her understanding is that the Task Force will have completed it's task after that meeting and will be disbanded. Afterwards, if members speak about districting in Scottsdale, they may mention that they were members of the District Advisory Task Force, but they should clarify that the Task Force has been disbanded and the statements are their own, not official statements of the City of Scottsdale.

ADJOURNMENT

Task Force member Jeffrey Abts moved to adjourn the meeting. Task Force member Roberta Pilcher seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. The discussion of the District Advisory Task Force Report is scheduled to be on the Council Work Session Agenda for Monday, June 9, 2003.

C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Council District Advisory Task Force held on the 20th day of May 2003.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 21st day of May 2003.
